

CONTRACTS OPEN.

BANDA, ONT.—The Presbyterians will build a new church.

NOVAR, ONT.—A new Presbyterian church is to be built here.

WHITECHURCH, ONT.—A Presbyterian church will be erected here.

SCHONBERG, ONT.—A new Baptist church will probably be built here.

GANANOQUE, ONT.—A. M. Gamble intends building an addition to his hotel.

NEW GLASGOW, N. S.—A Y. M. C. A. building, to cost \$10,000, will be erected here this spring.

BARRIEFIELD, ONT.—Mrs. Grange will erect a new residence on the site of the one recently burned.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—The trustees of the First Methodist church have decided to rebuild on the old site.

OSHAWA, ONT.—The Pedlar Metal Roofing Co. propose making extensive additions to their factory.

BRANTFORD, ONT.—The Waterous Engine Works Company have invited plans for their proposed new works.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The plans prepared by Mr. Reeve, architect, for the proposed city gaol will probably be accepted.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The authorities of the Jeffrey Hale hospital have purchased a site for their proposed new hospital. The structure will cost \$60,000.

CAYUGA, ONT.—A joint stock company has been formed for the purpose of erecting a three story Masonic block here. Operations will be commenced at once.

SHAWVILLE, QUE.—J. J. Turner, Jas. M. Hodgins and John Caldwell will each erect new dwellings this summer.—Fred. Hodgins contemplates erecting an addition to his store.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The plans submitted by W. Newlands, architect, for the new operating amphitheatre in connection with the general hospital have been accepted. The building will cost about \$3,000.

BRUCEFIELD, ONT.—Tenders are invited until the 10th inst. for building a brick or frame cheese factory for the Brucefield Cheese Manufacturing Company. Address Alex. Mustard for particulars.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—Tenders for lighting the streets with electricity are invited by the City Clerk until Monday, the 15th inst.—White, Colwell & Co., wholesale confectioners, are contemplating the erection of a five-story brick building, 40 x 100 feet in size.

HALIFAX, N. S.—Plans are now being prepared by the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, for coal sheds and other buildings to replace those recently burned here.—Work on the trestle work and wooden crib work for the new coal wharf will be commenced at once.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—Plans are being prepared for the erection of a wing to the Collingwood Marine Hospital, by architect Fred. T. Hodgson. The proposed building will be 48 feet long by thirty-four feet wide. Two storey and basement. Hot water system of heating.—The Catholics will build a separate school.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Messrs. Keating, of Toronto, and Haskins, of Hamilton, the experts appointed to examine the plans sent in for the proposed filter beds, have selected the plan of Mr. Jorgenson, of this city, as the most suitable. The plan calls for downward filtration through sand, gravel and rocks. The capacity of the beds is given as two million gallons, and that of the reservoir as 5,500,000 gallons. The cost of the execution is placed at \$60,000.

ANTIGONISH, N. S.—Tenders are invited by D. A. Chisholm, on behalf of the Board of Governors of the College of St. Francois Xavier, until Tuesday the 16th

inst., for the construction of an extension to the College kitchen to be completed this season, and that on the dwelling house to be commenced in the spring of 1896. Plans may be seen at the College or at the office of J. C. Dumaresq, architect, Halifax; tenders are invited at the same time for heating the above mentioned buildings with steam or hot water, contractors to furnish their own plans.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The building of a new city hall is talked of at St. Cunegonde on the site occupied by the present one.—Messrs. Roy & Gauthier, architects, are preparing plans for alterations and additions to the church of the parish of St. Laurent.—Mr. C. St. Jean, architect, has prepared plans and will shortly call for tenders for a Presbytery at St. Jerome, Que.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—It is understood that a site has been selected for the proposed Masonic temple.—Mr. McGowan, architect, is preparing plans for a solid brick building, on stone foundation, 50 x 90 feet, to be built at the corner of Main and James streets for W. J. Christie and G. Broughall.—S. Frank Peters, architect, will shortly make a tour of several American cities in connection with the proposed change in the interior arrangement of the Clarendon hotel, and with a view of securing the best possible plans.—Five detached houses at the corner of York and Garry streets will be enlarged this spring.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The sum of \$15,000 will be expended on waterworks extensions. The following have been decided upon: 12-inch main on Sussex street, between Rideau and St. Patrick; 15-inch main on Somerset street, between Bank and Kent; 5-inch main from Beechwood to Chapleau ave. The main on Rideau street, between Friel and Augusta, will be lowered and 30 new hydrants put in.—Tenders are invited by the Public School Board until Saturday next, the 6th inst., for an addition to Elgin street school, in accordance with plans prepared by M. C. Edey, architect, 51 Sparks street. Tenders are also asked for supplying one or three boilers for heating apparatus. Address, Wm. Rea, Secretary.

LONDON, ONT.—The Medical Health Officer has recommended the erection of a new smallpox hospital.—The City Council will shortly consider the question of permanent pavements on Dundas and Richmond streets. The merits of asphalt and vitrified brick will be discussed. Mr. S. F. Glass, of this city, has bought a lot at Pottersburg, on which he will build this season.—Joseph Nicholson will build a two-story brick residence on Piccadilly street.—The vestry of St. John's church have decided to erect an addition to the Sunday school, which will nearly double the seating capacity. Several other improvements to the church are contemplated.—J. D. O'Neil, proprietor of the Gosling hotel, proposes to erect an addition to the hotel. A brick stable will also be built.—Mr. Matthews, architect, has been instructed to prepare plans for a new residence on Central avenue for D. S. Perrin, also for a residence for Joseph Smith, to be built on Princess avenue, near Waterloo street.—The City Engineer has granted the following building permits: George Bonser, brick cottage, corner of Askin and Teresa streets, cost \$1,200; Ald. A. Callahan, two-story bk. dwelling on Piccadilly street, cost \$2,350; Mrs. May, brick cottage on Queen's avenue, between Adelaide and Elizabeth streets, cost \$1,300; Mrs. Joseph T. Burridge, brick cottage on Riverview avenue, cost \$1,000.

TORONTO, ONT.—Messrs. Darling, Sproatt & Pearson, architects, have prepared plans for a residence to be erected in Elmsley place, for Mr. A. Dickson Patterson, to be built of brick.—

A meeting of citizens was held last week to consider the question of erecting an art building, and a committee was appointed to act in conjunction with the Art Association Building Committee with a view to carrying out the scheme.—It is said to be the intention of the Massey-Harris Company to build a large addition to their present factory. The building will be a four-storey wing, extending 90 feet north. The basement will be used for resting malleable castings, the first floor as a tool room, second floor as a pattern and experimental room, and the top floor as a paint mixing room. The large four-storey building at the east end of the moulding shop will be converted into a fire-proof building for the storage of patterns.—The sergeants of the Queen's Own Rifles are considering plans for the erection of a new mess, to cost from \$25,000 to \$30,000. It will be located just north of the new armories, and will be a brick and stone structure, fitted with modern conveniences, including gymnasiums, billiard rooms, bowling alleys, and swimming baths.—The Property Committee at its last meeting adopted the report of the sub-committee recommending the remodelling of the Bay street fire hall and the erection of a building in the rear of the Lombard street fire hall in which to store one of the new fire engines. It was decided to engage an architect to prepare plans for the work.—The borings which have been taken by the City Engineer in connection with the proposed tunnel across the bay indicate that no engineering difficulties are likely to be met with, and it is urged by the Mayor that the work should be proceeded with without delay. The engineer's report has been sent to the Board of Works.—The House of Industry will ask the City Council for a grant of \$35,000 for the erection of a new building. The City Council has given notice of its intention to construct the following works: sewer on Pears avenue, Avenue road to Bedford road, cost \$4,628; asphalt pavement on St. Joseph street, Yonge street to St. Vincent street, cost \$6,900; asphalt pavement on Selby street, Huntley street to Sherbourne street, cost \$4,640; Concrete sidewalk on Church street, King street to Wellington street, cost \$885; concrete sidewalk on church street, e.s., King street to Front street, cost \$1,400.—Mr. W. J. Gage has asked the co-operation of the Board of Trade in securing the erection of a hospital for consumptive patients and a committee has been appointed to act in conjunction with other deputations to interview the Government on the subject.—Tenders are invited by Mr. John Hallam, Chairman Parks and Gardens Committee, until Tuesday, the 9th inst. for a steam boiler for the Island Park electric light station. Specifications may be seen at the office of the Park Commissioner, St. Laurence Hall.—A building permit has been granted to Isabel Gray, for the erection of a five-story bk. warehouse, 24-26 Wellington st., cost \$20,000.

FIRES.

The drying house of the Royal City Planing Mills, Vancouver, B. C., was burned last week. Loss on building, \$5,000. It will be rebuilt at once.—Fire at Arna, Ont., last week, destroyed Wm. Fraleigh's hotel, Edwin Brook's hotel, Jas. Ralph's building, Wm. Wyatts two story store and James Grant's dwelling. The loss in each case partially covered by insurance.—Wm. Ewen's residence at Owen Sound, Ont., was damaged by fire last week to the extent of \$1,200.—A two-story frame dwelling at Strathroy, Ont., owned by the Canada Permanent Building Society of Toronto, has been destroyed by fire. Loss on building, \$1,000.—The two-story brick residence of Hugh McCartney at Brucefield, Ont., was